for various products and realisation made therefrom. However, year-wise details of turnover of SAIL incluidng its subsidiaries for the last five years are given below:—

(Rs. 1 crores)

Year	Turnover
1988-89	.. 7315
1989-90	.. 8109
1990-91	.. 8916
1991-92	.. 10379
1992-93	.. 11320

Coal Chemicals business of SAIL

2211. SHRI SHIV PRATAP MISHRA: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Steel Authority of India Limited's Coal Chemicals business is facing uncertain future on account of competition from other domestic suppliers as well as imports;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) what steps have been taken by Government in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF STEEL (SHRI SONTOSH MOHAN DEV): (a) It is true that due to liberalised import policy, the import of different chemical items is now taking place at lower prices. This, in addition to the availability from other domestic sources has made the market for most coal chemical products very competitive.

(b) and (c) The different coal chemical items being produced by SAIL Steel Plants can be categorised as follows:

(i) Bengene

(ii) Coal tar pitch.

(iii) Hot pressed naphthalen

(iv) Carbon black feedstock

(v) Ammonium Sulphate

(vi) Other Benzol & tar product covering a large number of iten with small quantity under eac nomenclature.

In the wake of heightened compe tition, particularly in respect of ben zene, coal tar pitch, hot presse Naphthalene and other benzol and ta products, various steps are being tak en by SAIL, including aggressiv marketing through improved custo mer contact and specialised service to sustain and improve market shar of these items. The control of pric ing and distribution of ammonium suphate, a nitrogenous fertilizer i with Government of India. The mar ket for this product is good an SAIL has not experienced difficultie so far in selling this product.

Ex-managing Directors of Durgapur Steel Plant Joining Private Firms

2212. SHRI JIBON ROY: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Ex-Managing Directors of Durgapur Steel Plant after voluntary retirement joined those private sector firms which were having close dealings with Steel Authority of India Limited and Durgapur Steel Plant and were awarded various contracts during the last three years; and

(b) if so, the details of such cases during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF STEEL (SHRI SONTOSH MOHAN DEV): (a) and (b) The Ministry does not have any official information in this respect.

The Conduct Discipline and Appeal Rules applicable to the employees of SAIL do not have any provision debarring employees to take up any employment after retirement from the Company.